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CONFLICT MITIGATION ASSISTANCE FOR CIVILIANS (COMAC)

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\$40 MILLION

OVERVIEW

COMAC provides comprehensive victims' assistance to Afghan families suffering from military operations by delivering direct and indirect assistance, building the capacity of the Government of Afghanistan, and conducting advocacy and outreach.

The program's victim assistance initiatives focus on Afghan civilians and dependents who have suffered loss of life, physical injury, or lack of economic livelihood.

ACTIVITIES

- Immediate and tailored assistance packages, prioritizing life-threatening cases and vulnerable/marginalized groups. Assistance packages include goods such as non-perishable food, cooking equipment, and hygiene kits, as well as direct services such as medical assistance and psychosocial first aid.

- Referral services to national and international nonprofits and public service providers for psychosocial assistance, economic reintegration, and physical rehabilitation support.
- Support to Government of Afghanistan entities in collecting and managing data, stakeholder coordination, resource mobilization, enacting rights-based legislation and policies, ensuring beneficiary feedback are incorporated in monitoring and evaluation and learning processes, and mainstreaming victim assistance across sectors and programs. Capacity building efforts include participatory capacity assessments and workshops, reinforcing knowledge transfer for sustainability, and coordinating with relevant service providers.
- Advocacy and outreach activities to improve the ability of the government's Martyrs and Disabled Division to raise awareness and communicate the importance of victim's assistance services, leading to a well-informed citizenry, inclusive dialogue between the public and government entities, and leadership that is held accountable for victim's assistance service provision.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Provided tailored, immediate assistance packages to 1,500 eligible victims.
- Shared income generation packages, insuring long term social and economic recovery, with 200 households.
- Eligible victims, with more than 30 beneficiaries receiving direct medical assistance, reported improved access to physical rehabilitation services provided by the Government of Afghanistan and national and international organizations.
- Eligible victims, including 60 households directly receiving psychosocial counselling, reported improved access to psychosocial assistance provided by the Government of Afghanistan and national and international organizations.
- Government employees trained in case data collection and management.
- Development of a unified national victim's assistance protocol.
- Increased awareness of victim's rights and services available.

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